

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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RE: MUR 5453

Thomas Willsey

Dear Mr. Manning:

This is to confirm our conversation on Friday, February 11, 2005, and to respond to your letter of the same date, in which you requested an extension until March 8, 2005 to submit a response to the Commission's finding of reason to believe that Thomas Willsey knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441b(a) and 441f, provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

The Office of the General Counsel has agreed to your request

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

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